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## WYOMING FFA MEMBERS RECEIVE NATIONAL DEGREE

CHEYENNE— Thirty-one Wyoming FFA members were selected by the National FFA Organization to receive the American FFA Degree, the highest honor the organization can bestow upon its member.

“The American FFA Degree is awarded to FFA members who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment to FFA and made significant accomplishments in their supervised agriculture experiences (SAE),” explained State FFA Advisor Stacy Broda.

The students will be recognized and presented with the degree in a special ceremony at the National FFA Convention on Nov. 1, 2014, in Louisville, Ky. This year, 3,765 American Degrees will be awarded to students across the nation.

Wyoming FFA members receiving the degree were:

Casper FFA: Lisa Andreen, Ali Ballard, Tate Chamberlain, Lauren Hedges, Tori Pike, Maegan Robertson, Zoey Taucher, Kimberly Wolcott

Buffalo FFA: Kallie Berlinger

Buffalo Bill FFA (Cody): Madison Koster

Douglas FFA: Lindsay Utter

Frontier FFA (Cheyenne East): Kylie Foster, Dylan Freeman

Gillette FFA: Aleesha Gladson, Jenna Nelson

High Plains FFA (Cheyenne Central): Randi Rae Evans, Brett Roth

Jim Bridger FFA: Ty Carpenter, Newt Iorg

Lander: Desirae Hichole Lozier

Powell-Shoshone FFA: Paul Bridges, Savannah Triplett, Tally Tait Wells, Kyle Webber

Pinedale FFA: Shawn Butner, Kelli Terrell

Rock Creek FFA: Cassidy Newkirk

Saratoga FFA: Micayla Crimmins, Daniel Scott Kerbs

Snowy Range FFA: William Wood

Torrington/Lingle FFA: B.W. Ochsner

To be eligible for the American FFA Degree, students must have earned and productively invested \$7,500 in their SAE or worked 2,250 hours and earned/invested \$1,500. Students must also have participated in community service activities and have a record of outstanding leadership skills. Recipients are selected by a committee of agriculture education advisors and submitted to the National FFA Organization.

“Less than half of one percent of all FFA members receive the degree each year, making it one of the organization’s highest honors,” said Broda. “The degree represents six years of hard work and dedication on the part of our members. We look forward to seeing them walk across stage at the National FFA Convention to receive this honor and join an elite group of agricultural leaders.”

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